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#### AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLICITATION

1. Questions received in response to clause L.14 of the solicitation and the answers are as follows:

## **Question 1**

Attachment 3 (Technical Proposal Instructions) states that the "offeror shall complete the top portion of the PPQ ...for a maximum of five previous clients.." Is the five questionnaire limitation intended to apply to the entire team (prime plus subcontractors) or to the prime and each subcontractor individually?

#### **Answer**

Element 3 of the technical proposal instructions has been rewritten to remove the five questionnaire limitation. The wording is now consistent with EPAAR 1552.215-75 (clause L.13 of the RFP)

#### Question 2

Similarly, Attachment 3 also limits the number of contract summaries to demonstrate corporate experience to five. Does this limit apply to the entire team (prime plus subcontractors) or does it apply to the prime and each subcontractor individually?

## **Answer**

This limitation applies to the entire team.

# **Question 3**

The level of effort for this requirement is 50,000 hours per year, with an additional optional quantity of 25,000 hours/year. Therefore, this contract has the potential for 75,000 hours per year. This RFP is a total small business set-aside with a NAICS of 541620, which has a small business size standard of \$5 million per year. Please clarify what effect the award of this contract would have on the small business status of the successful offeror.

## Answer

The company has to qualify for the size standard (\$5 million in gross receipts per year) when the contract is awarded. The contract will **not** become invalid if the company grows beyond the size standard in performing the contract. However, it is possible that at some point in time the company would no longer be considered a small business under the NAICS code 541620.

2. Element 3, Past Performance, of the attachment entitled "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS" has been modified. The text is as follows:

## 3. Past Performance

Past Performance - The Offeror shall complete the top portion of the Past Performance Questionnaire included in attachment 5 to this solicitation for at least <u>five</u> contracts and subcontracts completed in the last <u>three</u> years, and all contracts and subcontracts currently in process, which are similar in nature to this requirement. Offerors should submit one questionnaire form directly to each client or reference utilizing the client authorization letter included in attachment 5 to this solicitation. The offeror shall request that the reference complete the questionnaire and forward it to the Contracting Officer either via E-mail to <a href="schwartz.rachel@epa.gov">schwartz.rachel@epa.gov</a> or to the following mailing address no later than the proposal due date:

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The offer shall also provide a list of references who are expected to submit a completed questionnaire.

While the past performance questionnaires will not be counted in the 65-page technical proposal limitation, the offeror is requested to be succinct and not submit more than two (2) pages per project/contract.